

  
Councilmember Phil Mendelson

A BILL

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To amend, on an emergency basis, Title 18 and Title 20 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations to ensure healthy, safe, and convenient bus transportation to District of Columbia citizens and to repeal the Motor Vehicle Excessive Idling Exemption Temporary Amendment Act of 2000.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the "Motor Vehicle Excessive Idling Exemption Emergency Amendment Act of 2001".

Sec. 2. Subsection 2418.3 of Title 18 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (18 DCMR § 2418.3), is amended as follows:

(a) Strike the word "or" after the semicolon at the end of paragraph (b).

(b) Strike the period at the end of paragraph (c) and insert the phrase "; or" in its place.

(c) A new paragraph (d) is added to read as follows:

"(d) To idle at a fixed facility owned and operated by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority for the purpose of maintenance or repair, or to prepare the vehicle for entry into revenue service, for a period not to exceed 20 minutes; provided, that no bus shall idle for more than 3 minutes while parked in a farebox lane."

Sec. 3. Subsection 900.1 of Title 20 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations (20 DCMR § 900.1), is amended as follows:

(a) Strike the word "or" after the semicolon at the end of paragraph (b). 1

(b) Strike the period at the end of paragraph (c) and insert the phrase "; or" in its place. 2

(c) A new paragraph (d) is added to read as follows: 3

"(d) To idle at a fixed facility owned and operated by the Washington Metropolitan Area 4  
Transit Authority for the purpose of maintenance or repair, or to prepare the vehicle for entry into 5  
revenue service, for a period not to exceed 20 minutes; provided, that no bus shall idle for more than 6  
3 minutes while parked in a farebox lane." 7

Sec. 4. The Motor Vehicle Excessive Idling Exemption Temporary Amendment Act of 2000, 8  
signed by the Mayor on December 28, 2000 (D.C. Act 13-554; \_\_\_\_DCR \_\_\_\_), is repealed. 9

Sec. 5. Fiscal impact statement. 10

This act would have no fiscal impact on the District of Columbia since it restores, with respect 11  
to vehicles qualifying under the above language, the law existing at the time of passage of the Motor 12  
Vehicle Excessive Idling Fine Increase Amendment Act of 1999. 13

Sec. 6. Effective date. 14

This act shall take effect following approval by the Mayor (or in the event of veto by the 15  
Mayor, action by the Council to override the veto) and approval by the Financial Responsibility and 16  
Management Assistance Authority as provided in section 203(a) of the District of Columbia Financial 17  
Responsibility and Management Assistance Act of 1995, approved April 17, 1995 (109 Stat. 116; 18  
D.C. Code § 47-392.3(a)), and shall remain in effect for no longer than 90 days, as provided for 19  
emergency acts of the Council of the District of Columbia in section 412(a) of the District of 20  
Columbia Home Rule Act, approved December 24, 1973 (87 Stat. 788; D.C. Code § 1-229(a)). 21